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AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTAL

January 24, 2017
Chairman Max Rodriguez

DEPARTMENT Community & Economic Development/Environmental Health Division		DEPARTMENT CONTACT Norman Allinder 559-675-7823		AGENDA ITEM 5.C									
SUBJECT: Onsite Wastewater Treatment System (OWTS) Ordinance Chapter 13		REQUIRED VOTE: 3/5 Votes Required	DOC. ID NUMBER 2480	DATE REC'D 12/20/2016									
For Clerk of the Board's Office Use Only													
BOARD'S ACTION: ORDINANCE NO. 279E IS HEREBY ADOPTED AS SHOWN AND ORDERED PUBLISHED BY LAW.													
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Is this item Budgeted? No Will this item require additional personnel? No Previous Relevant Board Actions: December 8, 2015 Other Supporting Documents: Ordinance, Other			DOCUMENT NO(S). Ordinance No. 279E										

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

Onsite Wastewater Treatment System (OWTS) and draft Local Agency Management Program (LAMP).

1. Second reading of an Ordinance amending Chapter 13.54 of Title 13 of the Madera County Code entitled "Onsite Wastewater Treatment System" and receive comments on the associated draft Local Agency Management Program.
2. Consideration of approval to authorize submittal of the Madera County draft Local Agency Management Program (LAMP) and amended Onsite Wastewater Treatment System Chapter 13.54 of Title 13 of the Madera County Code to the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) for their review and approval after adoption.

DISCUSSION / BACKUP / FISCAL IMPACT:

On December 8, 2015, your Board approved and authorized the Environmental Health Division to prepare a draft Local Agency Management Program (LAMP) to comply with Assembly Bill 885 Tier II requirements and to update Madera County Code Title 13 to include an Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems Ordinance.



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AB 885 (adopted in 2000) established state-wide standards for Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (OWTS). After multiple delays, on June 2012, the State Water Resource Control Board (SWRCB) adopted the "Water Quality Control Policy for Siting, Design, Operation and Maintenance of Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems" (OWTS Policy). This policy establishes a state-wide, risk-based, tiered approach for the regulation and management of OWTS (commonly called septic systems). The policy prescribes a tiered approach for OWTS that must be implemented by local jurisdictions that have a septic system permitting program.

The Environmental Health Division has drafted an Onsite Waste Water Treatment Systems Local Agency Management Program (Madera County LAMP). The draft Madera County LAMP has been developed to retain a consistent and feasible locally controlled regulatory system for OWTS in Madera County, providing local designers, installers, and regulators with more flexibility for designing, installing and permitting OWTS while still ensuring the goals of the State OWTS Policy are met. The Madera County LAMP will not require changes to existing or property functioning OWTS.

The Madera County LAMP prescribes measures that will provide effective sewage treatment and achieve the purpose of the OWTS Policy in protecting water quality by maintaining the highest level of ground and surface water protection while allowing current use and development of properties within all areas in Madera County. The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (CVRWQCB) request local LAMP and related local OWTS policies (Ordinance) to be approved by its County governing Board and subsequently approved by the CVRWQCB no later than May 13, 2017

The Environmental Health Division has held an Informational Meeting in Oakhurst and in Madera to address any questions or concerns from industry and the public. Additionally a posting was placed in local newspapers in Oakhurst and in Madera and on the County website for stakeholders who were not able to attend the Informational Meetings to address their concern by contacting the Environmental Health Division no later than January 3, 2017.

History:

01/03/17 BOS Meeting Group CONTINUED Next: 01/24/17

WAIVE THE FIRST READING; SET THE SECOND READING FOR JANUARY 24, 2017.



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ATTACHMENTS

1. Ordinance No. 279E
2. Madera County LAMP- Draft
3. Madera County LAMP- Draft with redline
4. RWQCB Fact Sheet